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**Notice of Completion of Inventory of Native American Human Remains and Associated Funerary Objects held by Lassen Volcanic National Park, Mineral, CA 96063.**

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

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Notice is hereby given in accordance with provisions of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, 25 U.S.C. 3003(d), of the completion of the inventory of human remains held by Lassen Volcanic National Park, Mineral, CA 96063. Representatives of culturally affiliated Indian tribes are advised that the human remains held by Lassen Volcanic National Park will be retained until January 4, 1993, after which they may be repatriated to culturally affiliated groups.

The remains were recovered in 1938 from an Indian burial ground by R. Johnson and Martin near the confluence of Hat Creek and Rising River, California. In 1990 a detailed inventory and assessment of the human remains was compiled by Dr. Robert Jurmain, Department of Anthropology and Cybernetic Systems, San Jose State University. The analysis confirmed the identity of the skeletal materials as Native American. The age of the remains is not indicated in any of the records possessed by the park. Dr. Jurmain indicated that he was confident only that the remains were prehistoric based on his examination. The collection includes four calvaria (skulls), three mandibles (jaw bones), one femur, one tibia and three ribs. They are believed to represent a minimum of four individuals. One of the calvaria had an arrowhead in it when it was discovered; however, the current location of the arrowhead is unknown.

The site from which these remains were removed is reported to have been located near an identified main winter village for the Atsugewi. The burial site's closeness (ca. within a half mile distance) to the winter village indicates they may be cultural affiliated with the Atsugewi, one of eleven modern bands represented by the Pit River Tribal Council, a federally recognized Indian tribe.

Consultation concerning potential repatriation of these human remains has been initiated by park personnel with the Pit River Tribal Council and the State of California Native American Heritage Commission. Representatives of any other Indian tribe believed to be culturally affiliated with the human remains held by the Lassen Volcanic National Park that have not been consulted should contact Gil Blinn, Lassen Volcanic National Park, Mineral, CA, 96063, (916) 595-4444, before January 4, 1993.

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